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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN & DEP ASST SECY ARELLANO

E.O. 11652:N/A

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SUBJECT: SPEAKING INVITATION FROM THE ILLINOIS FEDERATION  
OF HISPANIC CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

1. THE ILLINOIS FEDERATION OF HISPANIC CHAMBERS OF  
COMMERCE HAS INVITED AMB. TODMAN TO BE THEIR FEATURED  
SPEAKER AT ITS SECOND ANNUAL BANQUET IN HONOR OF HISPANIC  
BUSINESSMEN OF ILLINOIS. THE DINNER IS SCHEDULED FOR  
8:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 AT THE MCCORMICK INN  
HOTEL IN CHICAGO. THE BANQUET FOLLOWS A DAY-LONG MEETING  
OF THE PRESIDENTS OF INTERNATIONAL CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE.

2. THE AUDIENCE OF 1,200 BUSINESS PEOPLE IS EXPECTED.  
LAST YEAR VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE WAS THE MAIN SPEAKER,  
ATTRACTING OVER 1,500. THIS YEARS GUESTS INCLUDE ARIZONA  
GOVERNOR RAUL CASTRO, NEW MEXICO GOVERNOR JERRY APODACA  
AND ILLINOIS GOVERNOR THOMPSON. THE PRESIDENTS OF THE  
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CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE OF MEXICO, PUERTO RICO AND COLOMBIA  
ARE AMONG THOSE ATTENDING. THERE IS ALSO A GOOD POSSIBILITY  
THAT THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC  
WILL PARTICIPATE.

3. AMB. TODMAN WILL BE OUT OF THE COUNTRY ON OCTOBER 15.  
WE FEEL THIS IS A HIGH PRIORITY EVENT AND A NATURAL FORUM

FOR ARELLANO TO DISCUSS PANAMA AND THE IMPORTANT BUSINESS  
LINKAGES BETWEEN THE US AND LATIN AMERICA. IN LIEU OF  
AMB. TODMAN, WE WOULD LIKE ARELLANO TO ACCEPT THE  
INVITATION. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE YOUR REPLY AS SOON  
AS POSSIBLE. VANCE

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